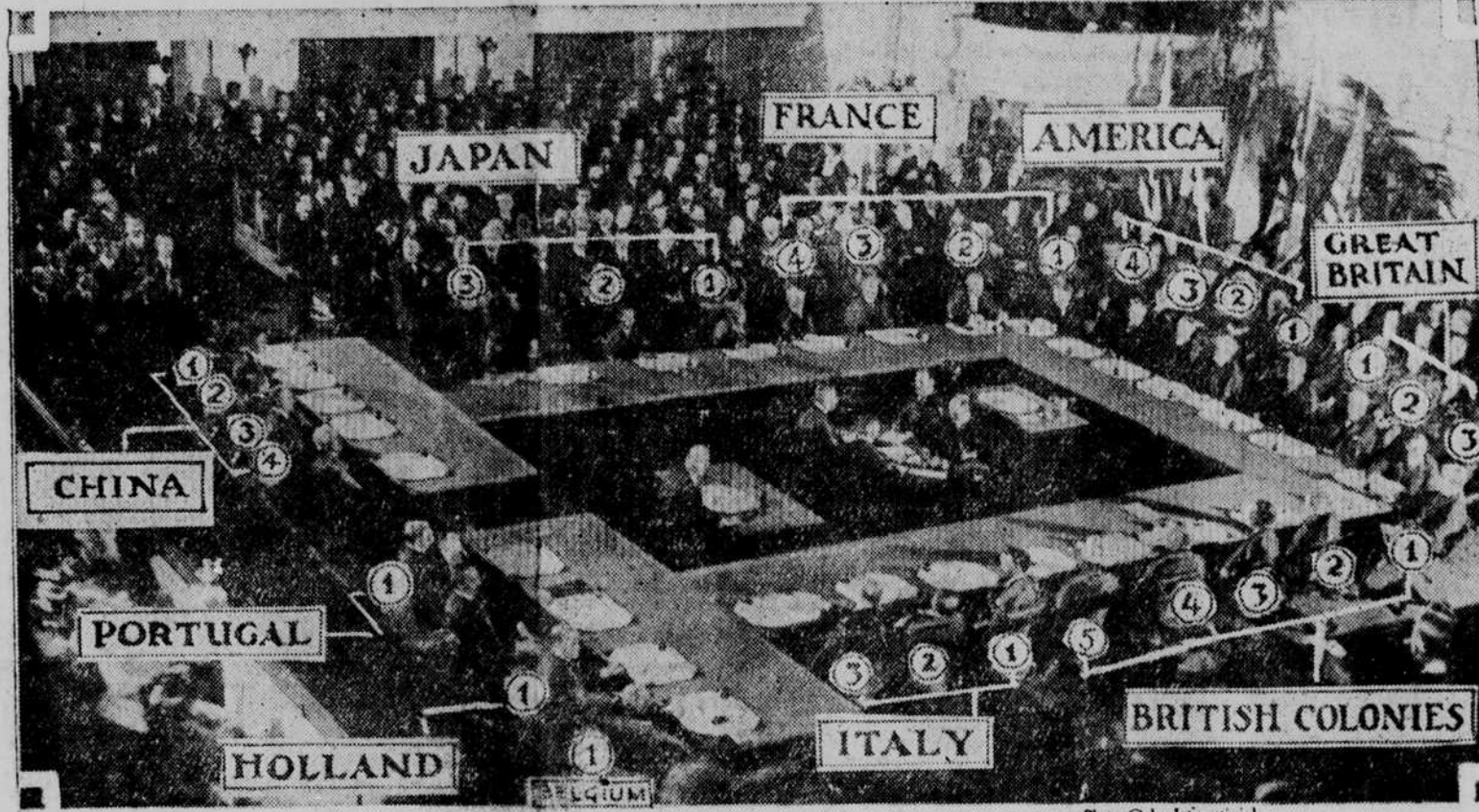


FOUR POWER TREATY PRESENTED TO ARMS CONFERENCE BY LODGE

ARMAMENT LIMITATION CONFERENCE IN SESSION.



This is the first official photograph of the Conference on the Limitation of Armaments in session in Continental Memorial Hall, Washington. AMERICA—No. 1, Charles E. Hughes, chairman of the delegation and of the Conference; No. 2, Senator Lodge; No. 3, Elihu Root; No. 4, Senator Underwood. GREAT BRITAIN—No. 1, Arthur J. Balfour; No. 2, Lord Lee, First Lord of the Admiralty; No. 3, Ambassador Geddes. BRITISH COLONIES—No. 1, Premiers Borden, of Canada; Pearce, Australia; Salmond, New Zealand; Gastri, India. FRANCE—No. 1, Premier Briand; No. 2, Rene Viviani; No. 3, Colonial Minister Surratt; No. 4, Ambassador Jusserand. JAPAN—No. 1, Prince Tokugawa, president of the Japanese House of Peers; No. 2, Baron Admiral Kato, ranking member of the delegation; No. 3, Professor Ichihashi, of Leland Stanford University, translator. ITALY—No. 1, Carlo Schanzer; No. 2, Ambassador Ricci; No. 3, Senator Albertini. CHINA—No. 1, Alfred Sze, Minister to America; No. 2, Dr. Wallington Koo, Minister to Great Britain; No. 3, Secretary to Delegation Chang; No. 4, Chan Chu Wu. PORTUGAL—Viscount d'Alto. HOLLAND—Jonkheer Karnebeck. BELGIUM—Ambassador de Marchienne. Photo by International.

BOMBS GREET FREED IRISH AT R. R. DEPOT

Irish Internees Are Blown Up When Liberated — Believed an Accident.

THURLES, Ireland, Dec. 10.—As a trainload of released political internees from Bally Kinlar Camp entered the station last evening, several bombs were exploded injuring three of the released men, one seriously. Others in the crowd were slightly hurt.

One report was that the bombs were thrown maliciously but another report is that the bombs were intended as a greeting but were handled clumsily.

ENGLISH PRESS COMMENTS. LONDON, Dec. 10.—All British weeklies issued today, in their general reviews, are virtually unanimous in welcoming the Anglo-Irish peace treaty.

The Nation calls the peace agreement the "first great repudiation of force since the war."

Four Policemen Killed; U. S. Marines in Fight

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 10.—Four policemen were killed here last night while attempting to break up a street fight between American marines and a party of civilians.

Port Commission of Seattle Is Roasted

SEATTLE, Dec. 10.—The King county Grand Jury today reported that liquor was bought with Port Commission funds and the "Commissioners either should have had knowledge of the purchase or by proper attention to their duties could easily have learned it."

The jury found certain conditions of the Port Commission management which were quite "deplorable."

No indictments were returned.

Farmers to Urge Congress To Guaranty \$2.50 Wheat

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The Farmers' National Council announced today the organization would urge Congress to revive the United States Grain Corporation and fix a government guaranty of \$2.50 a bushel for wheat.

Maude Moore Is Freed Of Charge of Murder

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 10.—Maude Moore, who was arrested in Tacoma, Wash., several months ago after a nationwide search, was today acquitted of the charge of killing Leroy B. Harth here in September, 1919. She pleaded she was defending her honor when she shot Harth.

Grand Goblin Ku Klux Charged as Embezzler

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 10.—F. F. Atkin, deposed Grand Goblin of the Ku Klux Klan, this district, is held in \$5,000 cash bail, to await extradition to Atlanta, Georgia, where he is charged with the embezzlement of funds from the order.

Education Now Complete Sold Herself; Goes Home

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Mrs. James Edward Miller, young Joliet woman who "sold herself into marital slavery" six weeks ago to obtain an education, now tearfully admits she got all the education she can assimilate and she is back with mamma. Also she contends it does not pay to advertise.

She advertised, saying she was desirous of a college education and to gain that end, she would marry the man who would supply \$3,000 for that purpose.

Along came H. P. Yards, of Wau-

Feminist Shop For Tobaccoists Is Now Open

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—New York now has a shop which caters strictly to the feminine tobacco trade.

The proprietors, in announcing they were following the lead of London and Paris, declared there had not been a place in the city where women could lounge and smoke without buying a meal.

SOLDIER GIVES MORE EVIDENCE IN WATSON CASE

Michigan Man Makes Startling Accusation—Was Eye Witness.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 10.—Fredrich B. Fitch, formerly a sergeant in the regular U. S. Army, today said he had witnessed two Americans put to death in France without trial, one having been beaten to death at Bordeaux in April, 1918, and the other hanged at Gievres in July, 1918.

Fitch said he expected to be called before the Senate investigating committee in session in Washington probing Senator Watson's charges that American soldiers were hanged in France without court-martial.

BLACK LEADING CONGDON BY 18

Election in Yukon Territory Is Close — Five Precincts Are Missing.

(Special to The Empire.) SKAGWAY, Dec. 10.—George Black, Conservative, leads Frederick T. Congdon, Liberal, with 18, having 517 votes, for the Canadian Parliament. Five precincts, including Mayo, Scorge and Glacier, are to be heard from and it will be Monday possibly before the final returns are received at Dawson.

Big Opium Seizure Is Made; Dope Confiscated

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10.—The biggest opium seizure achieved in years by the police of the International Settlement of Shanghai was brought about in October when a 10-ton truck, the property of a prominent foreign firm, was halted as it was traversing the business district and searched. Twenty-four packing cases containing opium valued at \$384,000 Mex. were found on the truck and confiscated. It was found that the real smugglers, who escaped arrest, had bribed the driver of the truck to move the opium from a warehouse in which it had been stored. The opium with a quantity of other narcotics the authorities have seized in recent months was destroyed by burning in the municipal kilns at Pootung.

Reach Agreement on Foreign Debt Funding Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The Senate finance committee reached an agreement today on the foreign debt funding bill. Debts funded into obligations maturing not later than June 15, 1940, are to carry interest at 5 per cent payable semi-annually.

Plane Hits Earth with Thud; One Aviator Dead

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 10.—Chief Machinists' Mate M. E. McLean was instantly killed here this afternoon when his land plane crashed to the ground. Ensign J. C. Cline, who was piloting the machine, was seriously injured.

Boy, Fifteen Years of Age, Confesses Shooting Mother

LEWISBORO, N.Y., Dec. 10.—Leon Pion, aged 16 years, confessed to the police today he murdered his mother, Mrs. Joseph Pion, by shooting her on Friday, December 2. The boy had been detained as a material witness.

Chinese Protest Shantung Settlement; Demonstration

AMOY, China, Dec. 10.—An immense demonstration was held here last night in protest to the proposed settlement of the Shantung question.

Former German General Afraid of Bolshevism

LEIPSIG, Germany, Dec. 10.—General von Ludendorff is a witness in the high treason proceedings against former Minister of Foreign Affairs von Jagow and others. This is in connection with the revolt of March, 1920. General von Ludendorff at the time said the danger of Bolshevism domination was acute.

Earthquake Hits Japan; Much Damage Is Claimed

TOKIO, Dec. 10.—A severe earthquake occurred Thursday night in a wide section of Northern Japan. Much damage is reported.

STRIKE STRIFE MAY BE STOPPED

Federal and Illinois Authorities Take Hand in Present Stockyard Strike.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 10.—Federal and State authorities have combined in an effort to stop the violence in the stockyards strike.

Four mediators, including two from the Federal Labor Department, and two representing the Illinois Industrial Commission, have been sent to the stockyards district to try and restore order.

Ernest Withall, chairman of the State Industrial Commission said: "The move undertaken is better than troops."

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 10.—It is learned in industrial circles that the Ford Motor Company is planning a factory in Germany selling to Germany, Russia and Eastern Europe.

Scandinavians Get Nobel Prize for 1921

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 10.—The Nobel peace prize for 1921 has been divided between Hjalmar Branting, Swedish Premier, and Christian L. Rango, of Norway, secretary of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

Representative Moore Aims Blow at Landis

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Representative C. Ellis Moore, of Ohio, announced today he would offer an amendment to the Walsh judicial bill requiring Federal Judges to devote all of their time to judicial duties. The amendment is aimed at Judge Kennesaw Mountain Landis, who is also High Baseball Commissioner.

Food Costs Take Tumble Slightly in Nine Cities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Food costs decreased during the month between October 15 and November 16 in six of nine principal cities. Houston and New York reported a slight increase. The decrease in the food costs were in Cincinnati, three per cent; Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Portland (Maine), two per cent, and Chicago and Omaha, one per cent.

California Trade Men Are Welcomed in China

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10.—Enthusiastic greeting was given in China to the California trade delegation, representing the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce and important Pacific Coast commercial interests, which is continuing a tour of the Far East begun in October. After leaving Shanghai the delegation, which numbers 135 persons, proceeded to Hongkong and Canton and before returning on the homeward trip will visit Singapore, Java and Manila.

After leaving Japan many of the party came on to Shanghai overland through Korea, visiting Mukden, Peking and Tientsin en route. American and Chinese commercial bodies and officials united to give welcome to the visitors who on their last night in Shanghai were entertained at a dinner given by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce. The party spent most of the first week in November in Shanghai.

ESCAPED BANDIT SHOT IN TRACKS

Tom Slaughter, Notorious Bandit, Is Killed by Escaped Convict.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 10.—Tom Slaughter, notorious bandit, who was under death sentence and escaped from the penitentiary here early yesterday morning after locking the warden and prison guards in cells, was shot from behind and killed by J. C. Howard, who was serving a three-year sentence for forgery and escaped with Slaughter.

The shooting occurred in the Saline county hills.

One of the five negroes who escaped with Slaughter was shot also and probably fatally wounded and the others were captured by a posse which was assisted by Howard.

Howard said: "I left the penitentiary with Slaughter with the intention of killing him the first chance I got."

All of the convicts Slaughter liberated are now in custody.

Arkansas Governor Puts Up Reward for Slaughter

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 10.—Governor Thomas C. McRae today offered a reward of \$500 for the return of Tom Slaughter, dead or alive. Slaughter is a notorious bandit under death penalty, who made a sensational escape from the penitentiary here yesterday morning.

Action of President Lewis Approved by Chief Board

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 10.—The action of President Lewis, of the United Mine Workers, in revoking the charter of the Kansas District organization and deposing the officers, in connection with the unjustified strike, was today approved by the International Executive Board.

Unemployment Situation Will Soon Be Relieved

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 10.—The National Convention of Associated State Highway officials were told that immediate construction and maintenance of highways throughout the country would relieve the unemployment situation to a great degree.

BIG 4 ENTENTE ALLIANCE PLAN NOW PRESENTED

Senator Lodge Lays Plan Before Plenary Session of Arms Conference.

TEN YEAR AGREEMENT FOR FOUR COUNTRIES

Paves the Way for Settlement of the American Reduction Proposals.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, member of the American delegation, today formally laid before the plenary session of the arms conference a draft of the proposed Four Power treaty which will supplant the Anglo-Japanese alliance and pave the way for the acceptance of the American naval reduction proposals.

The treaty proposal is a ten year agreement in which Great Britain, Japan, France and the United States bind themselves in respect to their existing rights in insular possessions and dominions in the Pacific and in case of disputes which cannot be settled by diplomacy, agree to a joint conference among themselves. Any party may withdraw from the Four Power treaty on twelve months' notice.

The treaty requires approval of the Senate for confirmation. "The proposed treaty was not signed formally today but has been initiated by representatives of the four powers as affirmed."

Lodge Gives Views. Senator Lodge said, in part: "The surest way to prevent war and to remove the causes of war, over a great area of the globe's surface is by reliance upon good faith and honesty of the intentions of nations which sign a treaty solving all differences through a process of diplomacy and joint consideration and conciliation."

"No doubt we shall hear it said that the region which this agreement applies is one most unlikely to give birth to serious disputes and therefore an agreement of this character is of little consequence."

"History unhappily has shown that there is no corner of the earth so remote or so valueless that it is incapable of giving cause for controversy or war."

Declarations Made. Former Premier Viviani, of France, declared that he considered the treaty "fully and entirely successful" and that France adhered to the pact without reservation.

Arthur James Balfour asserted the treaty will benefit international arrangements. He referred to the abrogation of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and said "there had never been any intent in it to touch the interests of the United States."

Prince Tokugawa voiced Japan's gratification over the pact.

Carlos Schanzer bespoke the satisfaction of Italy.

Minister Sze expressed "great satisfaction" in behalf of China.

FRANCE FAVORABLE. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—An official favorably reply was received today from Paris by the French delegation to the arms conference on the proposed quadruple entente.

The reply states that France is ready to enter into such an agreement with Great Britain, Japan and the United States.

Dr. Lorenz Says He Is Paying Gratitude Debt

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Dr. Adolph Lorenz, famous Austrian surgeon, who came to the United States to treat crippled children, said it was in gratitude for American relief in Austria. This was announced today in a short interview.

INVITED TO MICHIGAN

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 10.—Governor Alexander J. Groesbeck today formally invited Dr. Lorenz, famous Austrian surgeon, now in New York, to visit this state.

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